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 IN RE APPLICATION OF: Ryuji HOTTA  
 SERIAL NO: 09/930,212  
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 FOR: FASTENING MEMBER AND SIDING BOARDS ATTACHMENT STRUCTURE



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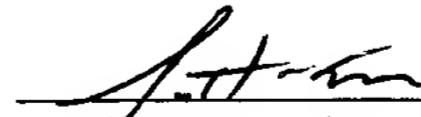
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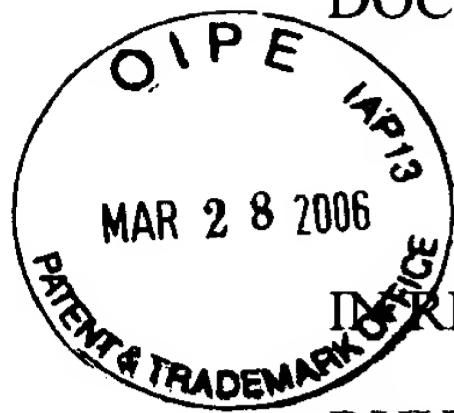
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In response to the Office Action dated December 29, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.